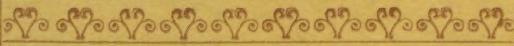


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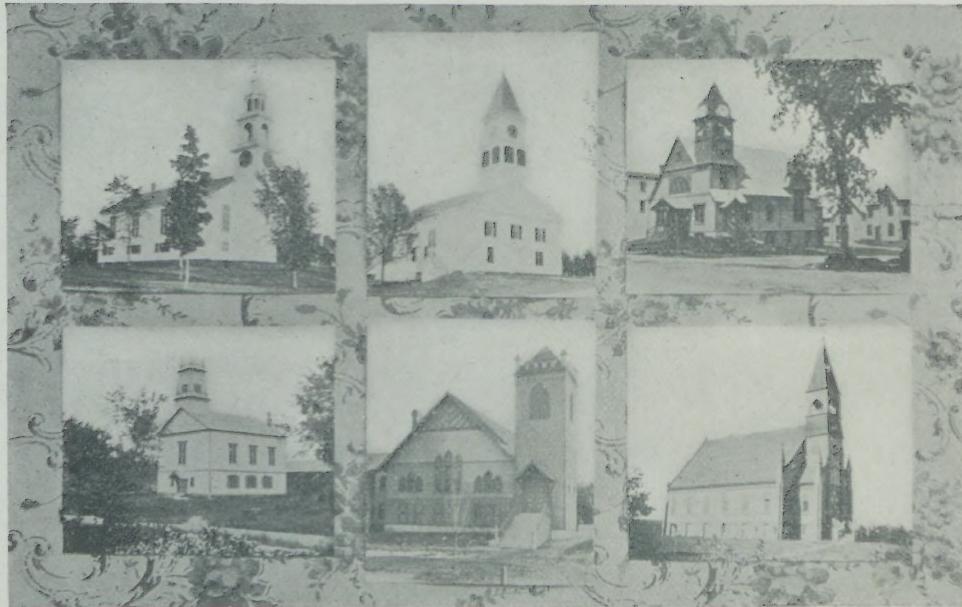
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TO THOSE WHO ARE INTERESTED
IN THE
TOWN OF DERRY
THIS LITTLE BOOK
IS DEDICATED.



CHURCH BUILDINGS OF DERRY.

FIRST CHURCH, EAST DERRY.
FIRST M. E., DERRY VILLAGE.

CENTRAL CONGREGATIONAL, DERRY VILLAGE. FIRST BAPTIST, WEST DERRY.
ST. LUKE'S M. E., WEST DERRY. ST. THOMAS AQUINAS, WEST DERRY.



ISLAND POND.

DERRY.

IN the western part of Rockingham County, state of New Hampshire, on the Boston & Maine R. R., is situated the thriving town of Derry. It is about twelve miles from **The** the city of Manchester, and **Location** forty-two miles from Boston, Mass. The town was incorporated in 1828, when the township of Londonderry was divided.

A brief study of the State map demonstrates the convenience of this pleasing locality. It is to this enterprising town, with its beautiful villages and their picturesque environments, that your attention is invited.

As the present condition of a town is paramount in the minds of the majority of people, purely historical matter has been excluded to considerable extent in this publication. New Englanders, at least, are well informed concerning the history of this section, and that is typical of the town of Derry. That the record is one of which we need not be ashamed is unquestionable. Therefore, leaving the things of yore to the historian and the generations that enacted them, we will endeavor to catch a glimpse of the history-making of the present.

Derry is a manufacturing town of about 3500 inhabitants. The manufacture of shoes is the principal feature, for which it has three of the finest factories in New Hampshire. Derry Lower Village and West Derry are supplied with aquaduct water. It is pumped from wells into a standpipe from which the direct supply is obtained. The hydrant service is excellent, there being sufficient force to cover the largest buildings within the fire precincts. A system of sewage has recently been put in at West Derry by a private company. The streets are well lighted by electricity, and several miles of concrete walk add to the convenience of pedestrians. The placing of an exchange of the New England Telephone Co. is being agitated, and a large number have been secured.

The thickly settled portion of the town is divided into three villages known as West Derry, Derry Village, and East Derry. The cars of the Chester & Derry Electric Railroad pass through the villages, affording conveyance at a reasonable figure. The C. & D. R. R. is also a mail and freight road. The outlying districts consist of excellent farm lands, many of which are skillfully managed with consequent remuneration.

In religious, educational, and social advantages the town is certainly in the ascendant. There are six church edifices, excellent schools, and numerous fraternal, musical, and literary societies.



WEST DERRY.

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PRIOR to 1882 building operations were not very brisk at West Derry, or Derry Depot as it was then called. On the 19th day of August of that year the central portion of the village was destroyed by fire. Sixteen buildings, including business and dwelling houses, the hotel, and the station

on the Boston & Maine Railroad were completely destroyed. It so happened that the shoe factory, the hope of the village, was saved ; although burning brands passed over it and ignited the block on the other side.

It was after this great fire that the real building era began. The tide of such operations did not cease with the replacement of the structures that were destroyed, and has not reached the full flood yet. More factories, fine business houses, and scores of elegant residences have been added ; and although the boom has been intermittent, the recapitulation is very satisfactory. The village of West Derry to-day covers an area, approximately, of one square mile.

The Residences. An old time resident, recently visiting the town after many years absence, remarked in my presence, that the residences of West Derry were of a supe-



RESIDENCE OF C. W. ABBOTT.

rior order. A very potent factor in the proving of the stability of business in this village is the fact that a large per cent of these residences have been built by employees in the several factories. This reflects favorably upon the character of the residents.

The church buildings, of which there are three, representing the following denominations, are very neat examples of modern architecture:

The Baptist Society was organized Oct. 10, 1880, and soon after, the subject of building was agitated. This culminated in the construction of the beautiful edifice standing



FIRE ENGINE HOUSE, WEST DERRY.

on the corner of Broadway and Crystal Ave., which was dedicated May 14, 1884.

St. Luke's Methodist Episcopal Church was organized Feb. 12, 1887, and their place of worship was dedicated the 17th of April, 1899. Since that event the building has been remodeled, and the result is the presence of the very neat Gothic structure, situated on Broadway.

St. Thomas Aquinas Church, an imposing structure on Crystal Ave., was dedicated Nov. 28, 1887.

Recently the Church of the Transfiguration (Episcopal) has been formed, holding regular services.

The schools consist of the West Side Primary and Intermediate, and the East Side Primary, Intermediate and Grammar grades.

**The Advent
of the
Fire Department.**

On the 21st of August, 1882, only two days after the great fire referred to, the citizens of the town held their first fire meeting in Association Hall, Derry Village, for the purpose of discussing the subject of fire apparatus, and consequent purchase thereof. After several adjourned meetings the question was finally settled at the regular town meeting, Nov. 7, 1882. It was decided that the Selectmen should be vested with power to purchase engines for the several precincts. It seems that the matter of choice of apparatus was decided by vote of the precincts. The citizens of West Derry selected a Button Hand Engine; Derry Village and East Derry, a Babcock Chemical Engine. Later, two hand engines were added to the equipment at Derry Village. These engines did effective service until 1890, and during the period of the construction of the water system, the decision to have such a system being made at the regular town meeting held on the 12th of March of that year. At an adjourned meeting

held on the 9th of April following, the question, whether the town would rescind the hydrant vote, was raised. The result of this meeting is evidence, perhaps, that out of a multitude of opinions cometh wisdom. However, we have an excellent water supply, which has been instrumental in the growth of the town, and reducing the vast amount of labor attending the occasion of fire.

The West Derry Precinct have recently caused to be constructed a fine brick engine house. The equipment is excellent, and the response and work of the department can hardly be criticised.

At the same meeting that decided the water question, the article relating to the concrete walks was acted upon and approved.

The Electric Light Co.

On the 28th of March, 1891, the Derry Electric Light Co., was organized, and on the 21st of Sept. following, the streets of Derry were lighted by this plant.

They have continued so to do, with evident satisfaction to the public. The Company have increased the capacity of the plant with the growing demand, and at present furnish power for 53 arc, 16 series, and 2,500 installed incandescent lamps, and also as a means for propelling the cars of the Chester & Derry Railroad.

Near the Electric Light Plant is a factory for the manufacture of Packing Cases, which are used for shipping purposes by the shoe firms for whom they are manufactured.



STREET SCENES.
Thwing's Corner, East Derry.

To Loudonerry
The English Range.

Broadway Toward Derry Village.
East Derry Street.



THE "E. L. F." SHOE FACTORY.

Manufacturing Concerns and Corporations.

tions to this building were made from time to time during the years preceding the advent of the present firm. Recently another addition has been made, and at present the group of buildings represent one of the finest shoe manufacturing plants in New Hampshire. Col. W. S. Pillsbury, the senior member of the

A MONG the largest industries of the town is the Shoe Manufacturing Business of W. S. & R. W. Pillsbury, which has been in operation since Jan. 1, 1899. Their main factory is the old shoe shop which was built in 1852. Addi-



A PART OF THE W. S. & R. W. PILLSBURY SHOE FACTORY.

firm, has been connected with the shoe business in this town for the past twenty-nine years. The plant is operated by 500 employees. The class of work is Women's, Misses' and Children's Shoes, of which is manufactured 5,000 pairs per day, the medium and higher grades forming a special feature.

The firm of Perkins, Hardy & Co., is a new concern, although the members have been identified in business in this town several years. In the comparatively short time that they have posed as a Shoe Manufacturing Firm they have demonstrated that they thoroughly understand the product of their plant. Their main factory is 210 x 40 ft., three floors, and accommodates 300 employees. The capacity of the plant is 3,500 pairs of Shoes per day. An addition of 100 feet is being added which will make the factory one of the largest in New Hampshire. They manufacture Boys', Youths', Misses' and Children's Shoes, and dispose of them direct to the Jobbers.

One of the principal business concerns at West Derry is that of Abbott, Davis & Co., which has been in existence about fifteen years. The present manager and sole proprietor, Mr. C. H. Abbott, has been the principal promoter of the plans which have influenced the growth of this business in its many departments. The business comprises the work of a Wheelwright and Carriage Factory and Blacksmithing in one department; a complete Livery Business in another, and in the third department the preparation of Stove Wood, Heavy Teaming and Trucking; a large force of men; 25 or 30 horses, numbers of heavy wagons, trucks, carriages, hacks, barges, etc., are required to operate this immense business, to accommodate which, nine large buildings are required. Among them are the carriage

repository, three floors; wheelwright shop, four floors; factory three floors; blacksmith shop, two floors; storehouse, salesroom and building for prepared wood. The buildings named represent a floor space of about 85,000 square feet, and with others are connected by a telephone system, with an exchange of 26 telephones, the business office of Abbott, Davis & Co., being the central office. The office and salesroom is in the bank building, opposite the station on the B. & M. Railroad.



A PART OF THE PERKINS, HARDY & CO., SHOE FACTORY.



Residence of C. H. Abbott.



Blacksmith and Wheelwright Shop.



Carriage Repository.

General View of Abbott, Davis & Co. Plant.



THE HOOD FARM BUILDINGS AND MISCELLANEOUS ILLUSTRATIONS OF H. P. HOOD & SONS DAIRYING BUSINESS.

At West Derry is also situated a part of the immense business of the H. P. Hood & Sons Corporation. The foundation of their extensive operations was begun as early as 1856, when, after ten years' experience in the milk business in Boston, Mr. H. P. Hood, the senior member, located in Derry Village, and purchased the beautiful place which is now known as the "Home Farm," and began running a milk car to Boston.

At the present time H. P. Hood & Sons are running milk trains from several points in the New England States, and are among the largest handlers of dairy products in this section of the country. Their Creamery at West Derry has a capacity of 10,000 pounds of butter per day. This product received highest award at the New Hampshire Dairymen's Conference. H. P. Hood & Sons make a specialty of different brands of milk for invalids and infants, being handled with the most scrupulous care, so that the contents of a package will be exactly what the label represents. Everything about the establishment of the Corporation is executed upon a large scale by expert employees with the energy and thoroughness that has characterized the business from its commencement.

In 1891 a special act was passed by the N. H. Legislature incorporating the Chester & Derry Railroad. In 1895, when the charter was amended so that the issue of bonds might be equal to that of the capital stock, the public spirit was sufficiently aroused to its importance and the immense benefit such a road would bring. In April, 1896, the contract for building and equipping the road was let. Steam railroad construction was used throughout, as it was to do not only a passenger, but a general business. The road was formally opened September 22, 1896. The Derry terminus is close to the

B. & M. passenger station. The route extends along Broadway to Derry Village, where it passes up Main Street, past THE NEWS Office to the Square, where a turn is made down Thornton Street to Hardy's Mill; then up the East Derry Road to the "Elms"; on down to the old McMurphy place, where the highway is left; the route then passes through the fields to Tsienneto Pavilion, Beaver Lake. Here the line passes close to the shore of the Lake to the Whitney and Hardy cottages and the "Bachelder." From the Bachelder, the route passes on to Adams' Mill, where the highway is again reached and followed on to Chester.

The entire length of the line is nearly eight miles.

The ride along this route is a charming one, especially in the summer season. The variety of scenery obtained is rarely seen on such a short line.



SNOW SCENE ON CHESTER & DERRY R. R.

IT is difficult to find a better grade of mercantile concerns outside of the cities than those located at West Derry. Such buildings as Odd Fellows' Block, Young's Block, Abbott's Block, Pillsbury and Hardy's Block, the Bank Building, Pillsbury's Block and many other excellent structures help to make this possible.



ODD FELLOWS' BLOCK.

THE Odd Fellows' Block was built in 1898, and dedicated Nov. 18 of that year. It is 60 x 80 ft. on foundation, and four stories in height. On the first floor are two excellent stores. In one is the modern and finely appointed Dry Goods Establishment of Volney H. Moody.

Mr. Moody's career in this business dates from January 1st, 1890. At that time he bought the Dry Goods Business of W. A. Moore, situated in the Old Odd Fellows' Building, and continued at that stand until the building was destroyed by fire, the 5th of Nov. 1897. Mr. Moody immediately opened a store in Norton's Block, and remained at that place until the new I. O. O. F. Block was made ready for occupancy. During these years the business has increased wonderfully. With the new and better advantages, he is at present displaying a fine assortment of Dry Goods,

Mercantile and Miscellaneous Business. each Department being fully stocked, making the matter of purchase a pleasure.

On the second floor of the block are A. B. Wark, Dentist; J. W. Bean, Real Estate Dealer, Auctioneer and Appraiser; club rooms, banquet hall, kitchen, and the janitor's room. Mr. J. F. Hall, the janitor, is an expert Picture Framer, having many years' experience, and plies his trade to good advantage, believing that a proper selection of a frame is often the making of a picture.

On the third floor are Clifton L. Bowley, Veterinary Surgeon; lodge rooms and more offices; and on the fourth floor, the main hall, with spacious ante-rooms. The block is fitted with modern conveniences for lighting, heating, etc.



INTERIOR OF V. H. MOODY'S DRY GOODS STORE.

The store of Mr. C. G. Kimball, dealer in boots, shoes, crockery, toys, etc., was also destroyed with the burning of the old Odd Fellows' Block. Mr. Kimball erected a temporary building on his premises on Broadway, and has since made additions, so that at present his place of business has the flourishing appearance of the old stand.

Young's Block, next to the I. O. O. F. Building is a wooden



UPPER SHIELD'S POND.

structure of three stories, with brick front. This block is owned by Mr. F. N. Young, who has for the past five years been engaged in the real estate and general insurance business in this town. This building and the new Odd Fellows' Block, were erected at the same time, another new block, also owned by Mr. Young, being destroyed on the same sight, with the burning of the old I. O. O. F. Building. On the first floor of Young's Block are three stores. Mr. William Hodgdon is a Wholesale Tinsmith manufacturing for the trade. In connection with this he carries a fine line of stoves and kitchen furnishings in one of these excellent apartments. Another is occupied by Mrs. C. W. Smith, Dressmaker and Milliner, who keeps a very good establishment of that class. Chester Mann, a recent arrival among the business populace, is located in the third. In this neat little store Mr. Mann has a fine stock of footwear, which is the only exclusive stock of such goods at West Derry. The second and third floors are devoted to offices, tenements and rooms. The building is fitted with all modern conveniences.

Opposite Young's, is the Abbott Block, which was remodeled from the old Opera House. This building is the property of Mr. E. L. Abbott. On the first floor are two stores, one of which is occupied by Mr. A. J. Kidder, who keeps a first-class Grocery establishment. In the other apartment is the clothing store of Mr. M. I. Evans, where is kept a fine line of ready made Clothing and Gents' Furnishings.

Near the corner of Broadway and Crystal Avenue, is the Norton Block, in which are store apartments, offices and furnished rooms. This building is the property of Mr. Carmi A. Norton, who represents several leading insurance companies.

Favorably located, near the center of the village of West Derry, is the Pillsbury & Hardy Block, in which is the excellent Mercantile Establishment of Mr. E. N. Whitney. In 1888, Mr. Whitney purchased the business and has since developed the trade, so that at present it is one of the largest and most prominent concerns in the town. Among the several lines of specialties is the Dry Goods Department, which is the leading feature. In this special branch the customer will always find



PILLSBURY & HARDY'S BLOCK.

a complete stock from which to select. The Shoe and Rubber Department is another prominent feature, and in addition to this, is a well selected stock of Builders' Hardware and Farming Tools, and also a fine line of Paints and Oils. In the development of these several branches of trade, and also in the minor departments Mr. Whitney has endeavored to secure the better qualities of goods, believing it to be the best way to retain the patronage of the people.

A. E. Shute's Insurance Agency, established in 1896, and representing five leading companies, is located in one of the offices on the second floor of the Pillsbury & Hardy Block. Some of the largest industries of the town are written through this agency.

Just across the B. & M. track from the Pillsbury & Hardy Block is the Meat and Provision Market of Mr. H. W. Wilson. It is situated in the Ferrin & Jackman Block. Mr. Wilson recently purchased the business of Ferrin & Jackman, and will continue to conduct it at their stand, with the purpose of giving the public the advantage of a well established and first-class market.





THE BANK BUILDING.

Conspicuous among the business blocks is the Bank Building opposite the B. & M. passenger station. This magnificent structure is situated on the site of the old Smith Block, and a portion of it is constructed from the material of the new block that was erected after the fire of 1882. In this building are five apartments designed for stores. In one of these is the office of Abbott, Davis & Co., in another, Geo. S. Rollins, American Express Agt, and dealer in periodicals and sundry small wares. This particular stand is one of the finest business locations on the street. In the apartment next to G. S. Rollins is the new and handsomely fitted Pharmacy of Mr. C. J. Whiting. In one of the two remaining apartments is Mr. James J. E. Sutton, who has the distinction of being the first regular established Barber



A GLIMPSE OF ISLAND POND.

in the town. His excellent establishment is conveniently located near the main entrance of the building. Charles H. Gordon, Licensed Embalmer, occupies the fifth apartment, and is well equipped for that line of business.

On the second floor are the banking rooms of the Derry National Bank, offices of the G. K. & B. T. Bartlett law firm, W. J. Kingsbury, agent for the Travelers Life Insurance Co., bicycles, also loaner of B. & M. mileage books; the Bartlett & Shepard Fire Insurance Agency, representing ten different companies; Dexter & Bienvenue, Fashionable Hairdressers, who guarantee first-class work. On the second floor are also the police court room, and furnished rooms. The third floor is devoted to furnished rooms. The building has all modern conveniences.

Among the representative mercantile establishments of West Derry, is the Clothing House of Mr. C. W. Abbott. In 1888 Mr. Abbott purchased the clothing business of F. A. Palmer, and has continued at the same stand, adding new features to the business from time to time, among them being a Tailoring Department in which is manufactured custom goods and articles for the trade. In 1897 the increase of business necessitated the enlarging of the store. At the present time Mr. Abbott carries a heavy stock of goods in the several departments, with good assortments from which to make selection.

As one of the successful merchants at West Derry, is noticed Mr. Charles C. Morse, Grocer. In 1887 Mr. Morse came from Tunbridge, Vt., to Derry. During the five years preceding 1896 he was



A CAR OF THE CHESTER & DERRY R. R.

with George F. Priest, coal dealer and baggage express. It was while in that position that Mr. Morse began laying the foundation of his successful business career. His first venture was the handling of Vermont butter and maple products, and by his honest and square dealing secured the good will of the town's people. Being successful in this venture, he began (in 1896) to handle groceries at his residence, and has since made a steady increase in business, until today, in his excellent store, in Young's Block, near the Post Office, he has a superior stock of goods not generally found outside the larger city stores.

In the building, and on the same floor with C. C. Morse, is the excellent Meat and Provision Market of Mr. H. D. Stearns. Customers always find a good stock at this stand. To please is Mr. Stearns constant endeavor.

Next to the Bank Building is Pillsbury's Block in which May & Neal have an exceedingly fine Retail Hardware Establishment. This business was originally that of Mr. F. S. Pillsbury, the present firm having recently purchased it of him. It is difficult to find a better concern of this kind outside the larger stores in the cities. The stock is certainly parallel, if not heavier than many metropolitan establishments of that class.

The firm of L. H. Pillsbury & Son, Furniture and Carpet Dealers is also in the Pillsbury Block, and is another excellent establishment, being the only concern of that kind between Lawrence or Methuen, Mass., and Manchester, N. H.

Between May & Neal and L. H. Pillsbury & Son is the Variety Store of Mr. Joseph Jordan, where is kept select lines of goods for the retail trade.

Next to Pillsbury's Block is the Lafayette Mineral Spring Co.'s Building. It is occupied by the Spring Co., bottlers of the celebrated Lafayette Mineral Spring Water, and light drinks. Emanuel Nelson, Fruit Dealer, and Ice Cream Parlors, is also in this building.

Directly opposite Pillsbury's Block is Hotel Bradford. Ralph Thyng, proprietor, accommodating fifty guests; excellent cuisine. Being near the B. & M. station, it is very convenient for commercial travellers.

The firm of Holmes & Wheeler, Coal Dealers and Trucking, occupy as an office a part of the Post Office Building. They handle the larger part of the coal that is used in the town, having purchased the original coal business of Mr. G. F. Priest. They also attend to furniture moving and general job teaming.

John Gegenheimer, Plumber and Steamfitter, is located opposite the Odd Fellows' Building. Since the advent of the water works and increase of other business, such an establishment became necessary. Mr. Gegenheimer carries a stock of Kitchen Utensils, and is agent for the celebrated Glenwood Ranges.

Mr. A. H. Morse, Domestic and Fancy Baker, has a very good establishment of that class near Gegenheimer's stand.

Opposite the Odd Fellows' Building is also situated the Webster Block in which Mr. Samuel Johnson has a retail establishment. The stock comprises, Kitchen Utensils, Model B. Ranges, Furnaces, etc. Mr. Johnson is a first-class Tin and Sheet-iron Worker.

S. Howard Bell, who, for a number of years, has been located at West Derry, is the pioneer Druggist of the town. Mr. Bell came to Derry in 1879, and started in business in the Association Building at Derry Village. In 1883 he moved from that place to West Derry, where he has since maintained a flourishing business.

Myron Richardson, dealer in Lumber and Building Materials, has a large Mill near the factory of Perkins, Hardy & Company.

Another thrifty business is A. H. Jenkins' Steam Laundry. Mr. Jenkins advertises to perform all work entrusted to him in a first-class manner, and is prepared so to do.

One of the large stores of the Annis Grain and Lumber Co. is also located at West Derry, and conduct an extensive grocery business.

Another industry is the culture of Flowering Plants and Shrubs, which is conducted by Mrs. A. R. Vance. The Office and Hot House is on Crystal Avenue, near Broadway. A fine assortment of Plants is always to be found at this place.

W. C. Tift & Company, a Lowell, (Mass.) firm; Real Estate Dealers and Auctioneers, for whom F. T. Rogers is Agent, have a Branch Office at West Derry.

Thus we see West Derry, with its manufacturing concerns, its flourishing mercantile houses, its religious and educational institutions, and its decidedly metropolitan appearance. At this juncture we will take a Chester & Derry street car, which will convey us to Derry Village, about one mile distant.







SCHOOL HOUSES:

West Side, Primary and Intermediate, West Derry.
"Old Brick," Derry.
East Side, Primary, Intermediate and Grammar, West Derry.

DERRY VILLAGE.

IN Parker's History of Londonderry it appears that "For nearly a century from its settlement, there was no collection of dwellings in any part of the town which could, with propriety, be called a village.

"In 1806, the turnpike from Concord, N. H., was made, and passing through Londonderry, gave rise to the Lower Village, as it is now called. This spot being central to the town, situated

between the two parish meeting-houses, and favored with some water privilege, soon became a place of very considerable business, and was in

Once the

Business Portion
of the Town.



THE MEADOW DAM, DERRY VILLAGE.

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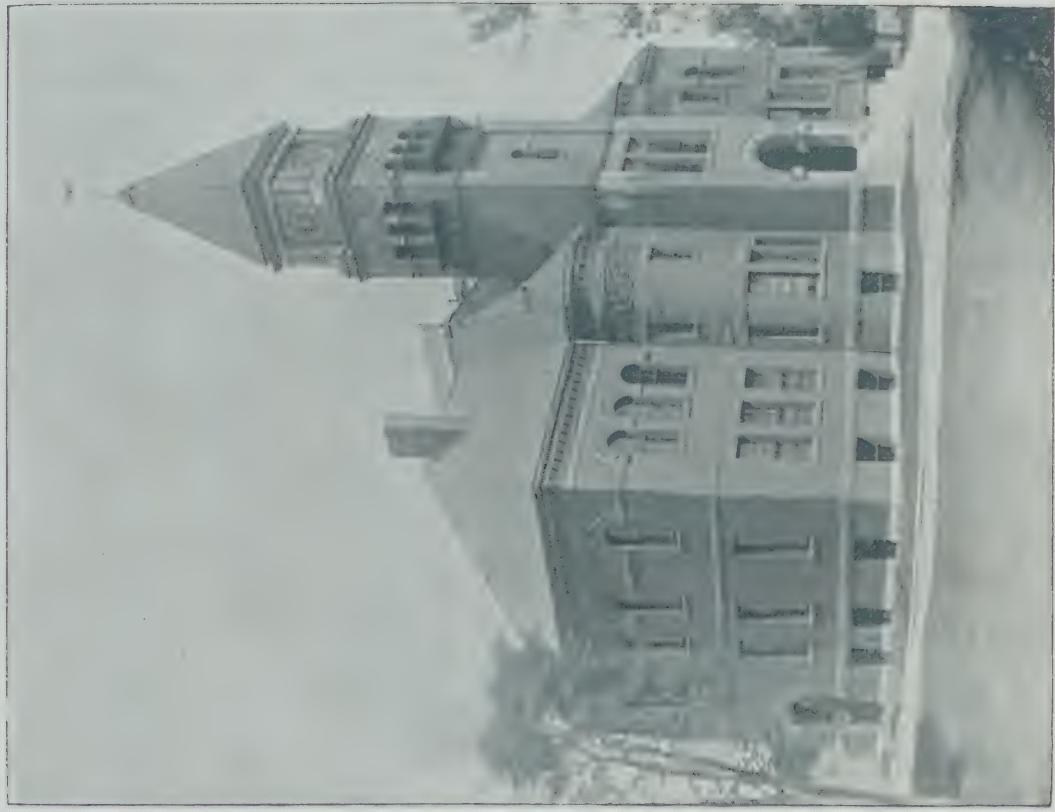
some degree a centre of traffic for neighboring towns."

The above quotation refers to a period prior to the incorporation of Derry, its territory being at that time a part of the old Township of Londonderry. The name, "Lower Village" is used by some of the residents at the present time, although the common term is simply "the village." The post-office name is Derry, or Derry Village.

Later, the final survey for the Manchester & Lawrence Railroad, having been made about one mile to the west of the village, the fate of the place as a business center was decided. West Derry is now the "centre of traffic for neighboring towns."

The approaches to Derry Village are quite picturesque, each affording glimpses of its cluster of substantial residences nestling under the hills in its quiet, and densely shaded location. In this almost sylvan retreat we will linger, that we may fully appreciate its beauty, and visit its few, but flourishing institutions and business concerns.

Pinkerton Academy One of the objective points for the visitor is the time-honored Institution of Pinkerton Academy. The school buildings are beautifully located on the hill to the north of the village, commanding, from the tower of the new building, a charming view of the three villages of Derry, and stretches of upland, meadow, and stream. The institution was founded by Major John Pinkerton, the necessity of a "permanent high school" being the conclusion, that he and the Rev. Mr. Parker arrived at after their initial interview upon the subject. This interview was made historically famous as the origin of Pinkerton Academy, influencing, as it did, the first endow-



PINKERTON ACADEMY.

ment by Maj. Pinkerton.

The Old Academy Building was opened in 1814, and for seventy-three years the educational work was conducted within its walls. Hundreds of men and women, living testimonies of the thorough training of this institution, are scattered throughout the country in various walks of life, many having attained to positions of eminence and usefulness. The love of the memories, educational and social, connected "Old Pinkerton," is triennially demonstrated by the meet of the Alumni Association. The present Alumni Association is of recent origin.

In 1885, the Old Building was moved from its location to another part of the grounds, and the new and finely equipped building was erected, and appropriately dedicated July 27, 1887. Since that event several new features have been added to the courses of study, thus fortifying its standard, as a thoroughly



THE OLD ACADEMY.

This illustration was made from the only negative in existence,
of the Building in its original position.

modern college preparatory school. Any town having within its territory an institution of this class may be considered fortunate, not only for the advantages, but for the influence which cannot but tend toward the further enlightenment and good of the community.

The Churches. The Churches of Derry Village are the First M. E. Church, founded in 1834, and the Central Congregational Church, (formerly the First,) founded in 1837.

Prominent in the business pursuits of the Village is the Drug and Stationery Establishment of Charles Bartlett. The building for the accommodation of this business is situated near the center of the village, where the Old "Hubbard" jewelry store once stood. The shop referred to was moved back, to serve as a portion of the ell to the new building. In the ell is the composing rooms and press rooms of "The DERRY NEWS," a weekly publication, of which Mr. Bartlett is the proprietor.

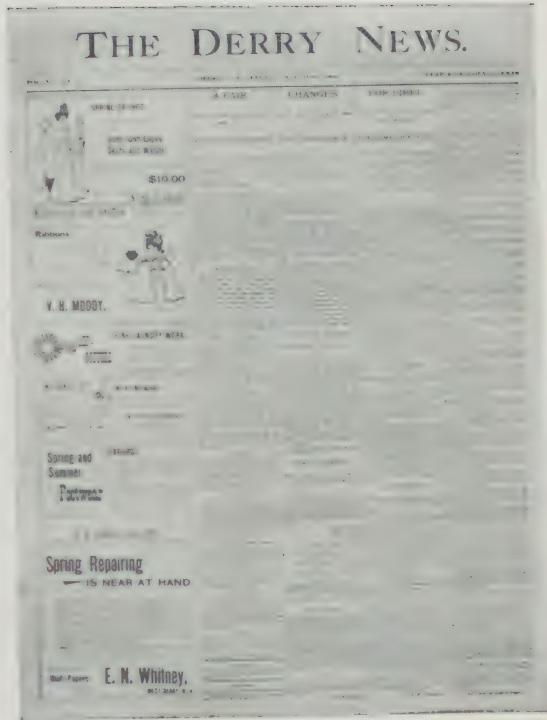
The Business. The News was established in 1880, and through the twenty years of its existence it has endeavored to promote the welfare of the town, and to furnish an unbiased account of the proceedings of the town, state and nation. The News is sent to nearly every State in the Union, and to several Foreign Countries. It is rated as one of the best country weeklies in New Hampshire.

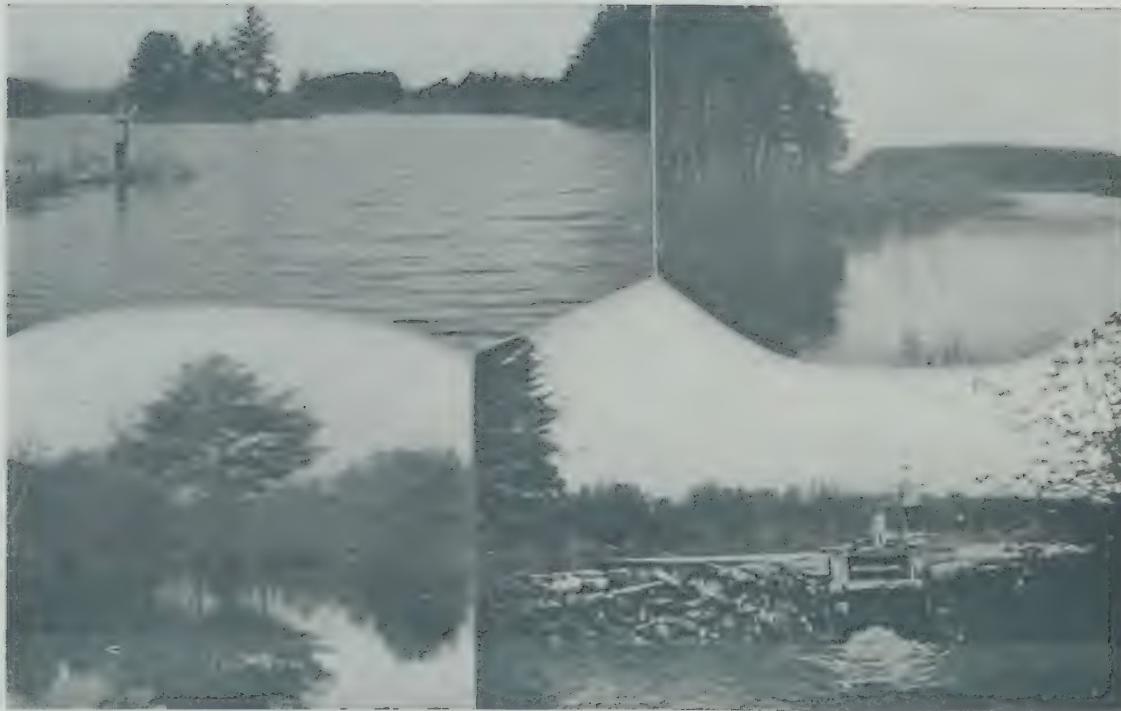
On the second floor of this building is the sample room of William Bartlett, for Clothing, Mackintoshes, Gents' Furnishing Goods, Etc. Women's, Misses' and Children's Garments; also Cloths and

Silks by the yard, from the well-known house of Wanamaker & Brown, of Philadelphia. The samples of Cloths from which these Garments are made are many, and the Tailoring Establishments represented by him are as follows: Benjamin Arnheim and the American Woolen Mills, of Chicago; Wanamaker & Brown, of Philadelphia, and the Dundee Rubber Corporation of Chicago, who deal exclusively in Mackintoshes for men and women.

In this village is also located the Laboratory of Prof. E. R. Angell, Chemist to the New Hampshire State Board of Health. The Laboratory is equipped with all necessary apparatus required by an expert analyst, thus making it possible to search out the most difficult cases of analytical work.

Prof. Angell is also manufacturer and proprietor of several trade articles, among which is the Celebrated Almond Cream, a superior lotion. The Angell Acetylene Generator, a machine for lighting purposes, is





MEADOW SCENES.

another product of the establishment. This machine, in many ways, excells all other acetylene generators. It is constructed upon thoroughly scientific principles, a superior knowledge of the chemical elements necessarily involved being employed.

Near the site of the old historic Gregg mill is situated the manufacturing plant of Benj. Chase, and just below, on the same stream, is the grainery and gristmill of Lando B. Hardy, Merchant Miller. A siding of the Chester & Derry R. R. is laid to the mill for convenience in unloading the large consignments of grain that are handled at that establishment.

Just above Hardy's mill, on the East Derry road, is Mr. M. E. Odell's Carpentering



A GOOD CATCH.

Establishment for the preparation of House Finish, and the handling of Job Work. Mr. Odell is also a Contractor and Builder.

In the vicinity of these mills is situated the Blacksmithing and General Repair Shop of Horace N. Smith.

Other business enterprises in Derry Village, consist of the fine Grocery Establishment of G. M. Spofford; the Wholesale and Retail Business of C. S. Pettee, and the Grocery Business of H. A. Bradford.

Hildreth Hall, owned and maintained by Pinkerton Academy, as a Boarding House for students, does a very good summer business, being open for the accommodation of guests during the vacation season, and also accommodates transient boarders at all seasons.

Resuming our journey with the Chester & Derry Railroad, we will leave Derry Village, with its wholesome dignity, and its wealth of historical lore, and proceed to the East Village. Between Derry Village and East Derry is located a part of the picturesque route of the railroad. To the left after passing Horse Hill, lie the famous pickerel meadows, the Mecca of many piscatorial enthusiasts.



WASHOUT OF FEB. 13th, 1900, NEAR SMITH'S BLACKSMITH SHOP.



FAMOUS FISHING GROUNDS.



SOLDIERS' MONUMENT.

EAST DERRY.

FEW more pleasing or beautiful localities can be found in Southern New Hampshire than East Derry. It is situated upon a considerable elevation, commanding a magnificent view of several mountains, neighboring townships, and her sister villages. The densely shaded streets, substantial residences, and general dignified appearance arrest the attention of the visitor at once, making him believe that which is really so, that East Derry is a choice bit of the old Granite State.

In Parker's History of Londonderry it appears that:

"Although the place now termed the Upper Village' (East Derry) 'where the first meeting-house was erected, is peculiarly pleasant, by reason of its elevation and delightful scenery, but few buildings were erected there from the planting of the colony until 1812. * * * The growth of the village was subsequently promoted by the establishment of the Adams Female Academy."



THE ADAMS FEMALE ACADEMY.

The Adams Female Academy was incorporated subsequent to the bequest of Mr. John Adams in 1823. "It was the first incorporated Female Academy in the State, and among the first in New England in which the course of study was prescribed, and the classes arranged as in our collegiate institutions." It was once a flourishing institution, but unavoidable reverses have evidently wrought the change. The old academy building is still in existence, an historical landmark, made famous by the visit of Gen. Lafayette. At present it is used by the Adams School District as a Primary School and Kindergarten.

The Church in East Derry was founded in 1719, and was the First Church in the township of Old Londonderry. The original of the present church building was built in 1769, a smaller building, not now in existence, serving until that time. Since its erection the building has been remodeled several times—in 1822, 1845, and 1884.

This Church may very properly be termed the cradle of Presbyterianism in this section of the country, the original township having sent out colonies of their people and faith from time to time, who were descendants of the first settlers.

To-day the old Church stands, a monument to the zealous efforts of its founders, a priceless memento of the strict discipline of the fathers, whose course of life was couched by its influence.

Near the Church is situated the Town House, in which is the apartments of the Taylor Library, containing about 4000 volumes of selected literature.

The well established Mercantile House of Edward T. Parker, is also situated in this vicinity. This store has been managed by members of the Parker family for half a century. The stock comprises that generally found in a first-class country store.

East Derry is fast becoming a resort for summer outings. Its very desirable situation, as regards shade, elevation, healthfulness, and its close proximity to the lake, and general handiness, stimulate its advance in this direction.

One of the very fine establishments for the accommodation of summer boarders is the modern and charmingly located hotel, called "The Elms;" Mrs. Sadie K. Pettingill, Proprietor.

This House is without doubt, one of the best establishments of the kind in this vicinity. The season is from the first of June until the middle of September, during which time it is crowded to its full capacity. The House is run on the American plan, with excellent accommodations.



"THE ELMS."



TSIENNETO LAKE, FROM THE HILL, BACK OF OSBORNE'S.



THE "OREGON" CLUB, TSIENNETO LAKE.

TSIENNETO LAKE.

TSIENNETO LAKE, or Beaver Pond, as it is locally called, is a beautiful sheet of water, situated in an easterly direction from the Villages, on the line of the Chester & Derry Railroad. Its shores are bold and rocky, with the exception of a few beaches. Occasionally relics of the old Indian Tribes are found, and here, in the long ago, where the crystal waters caress the symmetrical curvatures of the shore, and protected by the primeval forest,

"The moose, the forest monarch, with heavy antlered head,
Didst unmolested quench his thirst, no white man there to dread."

Many of the original grants of territory to the early settlers were bounded upon one side by this Lake. In a northerly direction are the excellent



ON BEAVER LAKE.



THE SENTINELS ALONG THE NORTH SHORE ROAD, TSUENNETO LAKE.



farm lands forming the historical English Range, from which glimpses of the Lake, forming charming bits of scenery may be had. One of the best views is that obtained from the veranda of the Chester & Derry Railroad Pavilion, which is situated at its easterly end, thus affording a magnificent sunset view from across its beautiful expanse.

Tsienneto Pavilion is rapidly becoming a favorite resort for picnic parties. The management propose to make its character such that the most solicitous of the public may feel that it is a good place to go for an outing. During the summer a



THE RAILROAD PAVILION, TSIENNETO LAKE.

keeper has charge of the Pavilion and grounds, and attends to the letting of boats, and bathing suits, and to the general comfort of the visitors.

From the Pavilion to the opposite side of the Lake, by the North Shore Road, is a charming ride; a beautiful natural picture is constantly before the visitor, which delights the eye and gladdens the heart of every wheelman, carriage driver or pedestrian. On this picturesque bit of road is situated the "Hotel Bachelder," a house for the accommodation of summer boarders; and the picnic grounds of Mr. E. A. Osborne.

For quite a distance the road is so near the Lake, that with an ordinary fishing rod, one could easily cast to the water from a carriage. The shore is bold and rocky, and but a short distance out the water attains to a considerable depth. This condition makes it an ideal place for boating, and it is being taken advantage of more and more each season.

The visitor is sure to be pleased with this beautiful Lake, and the many charming drives in its vicinity.





THE LAKE NEAR MR. T. M. ABBOTT'S.



THE "BATCHELDER," TSIENNETO LAKE.

TO THE PUBLIC

IN the preceding pages the Author has attempted to furnish a few facts, and "Glimpses" of the Town of Derry. The descriptions are not overdrawn as an investigation will prove.

When seeking a town, in which to spend your vacation, secure a home, or educational advantages, it will pay you to consider Derry as a possible source for such desirable conditions.

